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A brief summary of important City Council updates discussed during the April 9, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting are provided below.

April 9, 2019 ([Meeting Agenda](#))

Recognition of City Volunteers During National Volunteer Week April 7-13, 2019 – Council issued a proclamation recognizing National Volunteer Week during April 7-13, 2019 and thanked City volunteers for their service including the **Hermosa Beach Community Emergency Response Team (Hb CERT)**, **Volunteers In Policing (VIP)**, **Community Garden Volunteers** and **Hermosa Five-O Volunteers**. For more information on the great work these groups are doing and how to get involved, check out the City's April [E-Newsletter](#).



Proclamation Establishing Beach Cities Transit "Get on Board Day" in Hermosa Beach on April 25, 2019 – Council issued a proclamation declaring April 25, 2019 as Beach Cities Transit "Get on Board Day" and encouraged Hermosa Beach residents to support [Beach Cities Transit \(BCT\)](#) which serves the South Bay region including Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, and El Segundo. Pictured at right: Leslie Scott from BCT.



Public Hearing: Sidewalk Vending Ordinance – Council introduced, upon first reading, an ordinance to regulate sidewalk vending within City limits in compliance with Senate Bill 946 ([SB 946](#)) and adopted resolutions establishing sidewalk vending permit application and annual renewal fees (both \$325); and administrative fines for violations (\$100 to \$1,000, subject to ability to pay considerations). Per state law which went into effect January 1, 2019, cities and counties may not criminalize or blanket prohibit sidewalk vending, but may regulate vendors based on health, safety or welfare considerations. The ordinance would update the City's Municipal Code to comply with state law and require sidewalk vendors to obtain a permit from the Public Works Department and City business license. Sidewalk vendors would need to obtain insurance and comply with requirements including dates/times of operation, restricted locations, types of goods offered for sale, minimum pedestrian clearance (5 feet), use of amplified sound and other limitations.



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Based on direction provided by Council on March 12, 2019, the ordinance was adjusted to include the Pier Head, Pier Plaza (from the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day, weekend nights and on the day of the Hermosa Beach St. Patrick's Day parade), and areas within one block of Fiesta Hermosa event locations during Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends to the City's list of restricted vending locations. Council also designated Loreto Plaza (north side of Pier Plaza) as a restricted vending location. If approved, this ordinance would take effect 30 days after adoption upon second reading, currently scheduled for April 23, 2019.

Summer Beach Concert Series Production Agreement - Council awarded an agreement to **5B Artists + Media** to produce and manage Hermosa's Summer Beach Concert Series (Sundays in August) for 2019 and 2020 with an option to extend through 2021 at Council's discretion. Staff will work with the event producer on key details including finalizing talent/acts, sponsors, and alcohol sales, currently proposed for Parking Lot A near Beach Drive and 11th Street, subject to the approval of the City Manager and Police Chief.

Spyder Surf Fest Special Event Fee Waiver – Council approved a fee waiver in the amount of \$11,334 (100% of applicable special event fees and 10% of impact fees) for the **Spyder Surf Fest** to take place on Saturday, April 27, 2019, up from the \$8,206 fee waiver recommended by staff. Council, staff and the public noted the family-friendly nature of the event, positive impact to the local community and economy, and support for the Surfer's Walk of Fame Induction Ceremony in supporting an increased waiver, but also noted the need to develop a consistent fee waiver policy as soon as possible, given the 50% waivers granted to recent applicants. Staff anticipates a new policy developed with the Parks and Recreation Commission will be brought before Council for consideration in two to three months.

8th Street Improvements Construction Contract – at the request of the City Manager Council agreed to continue this item to the April 23, 2019 Council meeting to allow staff to perform additional review of bids received.

Herondo Drain Storm Water Infiltration Project – North Francisca Avenue Feasibility Study – Council approved **Tetra Tech** to proceed with a feasibility study in an amount not to exceed \$157,719, to site an infiltration project in Redondo Beach on North Francisca Avenue from Herondo Street to North Catalina Avenue, subject to approval of an amendment of the **Beach Cities Watershed Management Group Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** with the **Cities of Redondo Beach, Torrance and Manhattan Beach**. As part of the required amendment to be negotiated, partner cities would need to commit to sharing future project costs, including new design, and designate Redondo Beach as the lead agency, if the feasibility study, funded by Hermosa Beach, determines that the North Francisca Avenue site is suitable to accommodate an infiltration project of large enough size to move forward. Other partner cities are amenable to studying the site, but stipulated Hermosa Beach must solely fund the study. Staff and the City Council Infiltration Project Subcommittee will initiate negotiations to amend the MOU, which would require approval by all City Councils prior to commencing the study. As moved by Councilmember Fangary, Council approved Councilmember Massey to replace Councilmember Fangary on the Infiltration Project Subcommittee, joining Mayor Armato. In late March, after being advised of the plan to investigate the North Francisca Avenue site, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) agreed to not immediately withdraw the \$3.1 million Proposition 1 grant for project design and construction. Staff and Council will update the SWRCB on the plan



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for the MOU amendment and new estimated project timeline so as to retain the grant and continue efforts to comply with Herondo Storm Drain pollution discharge permitting requirements.

North School Project Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (NTMP) – Council reviewed the NTMP scope of work and directed staff to issue a joint Request for Proposals (RFP) with the Hermosa Beach City School District to recruit a traffic engineer / transportation planning firm for the development of the NTMP to safely manage transportation, traffic and student loading/unloading activities related to the North Elementary School Reconstruction Project.

Dockless Scooter & Bikeshare Temporary Ban Update and Regulatory Options – Council approved the City's continued participation in the South Bay Shared Mobility Pilot Program in concert with the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG), to finalize guidelines for permitting shared mobility devices (SMDs) including dockless electric scooters and electric-assist bicycles. As directed by Council, staff will take recommendations back to the SBCCOG and develop municipal code changes, fees and other regulatory measures for consideration by Council at a future date. On October 17, 2018, the City implemented a temporary one-year ban on SMDs until regulatory guidelines could be developed. Staff has worked with the Cities of El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance; and the SBCCOG to develop regional guidelines for the South Bay, while also retaining the ability for individual cities to tailor regulations and program components to their specific needs. Among other efforts, the City amended regulations for motorized equipment on the Strand and Pier Plaza, adopted impound fees, implemented education and enforcement by Police and Code Enforcement Officers, collected SMD community survey input, and added a new GO Hermosa App feature for the public to report inappropriately parked or damaged scooters.

As currently planned, the SBCCOG will develop and issue a regional Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for SMD operators to participate in a one-year South Bay Shared Mobility Pilot. Participating cities, including Hermosa Beach, would assist in ranking responses and be able to invite the top two or three operators to apply for individual city pilot program permits. After program finalization and City approval, the Shared Mobility Pilot would commence, estimated in or after Fall 2019.

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019.

A CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019 AT 6 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

Questions or comments? Contact the Assistant to the City Manager Nico De Anda-Scaia Monday through Thursday, 7AM – 6PM at (310) 318-0201 or via email at ndeanda@hermosabch.org

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